

Southwest Missouri Miata Club

Hug your curves!!

Meetings 2nd Saturday of the month

Oct - Dec 2015

Zoom Zoom is RIGHT!! This club has had a busy summer!! We had such a fun trip to Kansas in August where we had lunch at the BBQ Shack then visited the Louisburg Cider Mill. We loaded our cars with yummy stuff from the mill store and headed back home.

In September we had two (that's right TWO) runs! Sept 12 the Fudge's led the group to Roaring River State Park, Dogwood Canyon and Top of the Rock. We had a super beautiful day to enjoy the breathtaking scenery, had such a fun time together and met some new friends!

Sept 26 the Tarter's led a bonus run to area mills. What a treat! Who knew such cool places abound right here in our backyards?



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We'd like to say WELCOME to our newest members (and some who are "checking us out," be on your best behavior! LOL!):

Don & Benita Puck
Trent Burris
Mick & Deb Moore
Clyde & Marsha Kensinger
Scott & Monica (Stickamain)

Contact us: swmomc@yahoo.com

We LOVE our Miatas!

Congratulations to Lonnie & Janice Howard on their new 2016 Miata!!! She's beautiful!!



Here's what's happening:

Oct. 17 – **NOTE THIS IS A REVISED DATE!** The club will once again be driving to Hermann, Mo., to visit the Stonehill Winery, 1110 Stone Hill Highway, Hermann, MO 65041 (573) 486-2221.

The plan is to leave from Cracker Barrel in Springfield at 8:30 a.m. The drive takes about 3 hours, then we will have lunch at the Vintage Restaurant on the grounds. If you haven't been here before you'll see that you can tour the winery and shop the store too. Loads of nice stuff!

Keep in mind it is Oktoberfest and there are lots of activities going on and this will likely be a very busy place! 😊

Nov. 11 - Our club will participate in the annual Veteran's Day parade in Branson, MO. No details are available right now, but we will try to send out an email with more specifics closer to time. If you are interested in driving in the parade, be sure to contact Bud Tarter, bktarter@att.net to let him know and a place can be reserved for your car.

Nov. 14 – 1:00 p.m.
Monthly meeting at the Mazda dealership in Springfield. They will once again generously provide lunch for us!

Dec. 05 – Noon
Annual Christmas luncheon and ornament exchange will be on Sat, Dec. 5, 12:00 p.m. at Saviello's in the Elfindale Mansion in Springfield. You will be able to order from a menu and the cost will be anywhere from \$10-\$20 per person for food, plus \$5.00 room charge per person. Bring a lovely or interesting Christmas ornament as a gift to exchange.



OVEN CARAMEL CORN

2 gallons popped corn, unpopped kernels removed
2 cups brown sugar
1 cup butter
½ cup corn syrup

Combine in a sauce pan and bring to a boil,
boil 3 to 3 ½ minutes. Remove from heat and
add:

1 tsp salt
1 tsp vanilla
½ tsp baking soda

Pour over popped corn and stir well, but
gently.
Bake at 250 degrees for 1 hour, stirring every
15 minutes.

Cool completely.

Please contact me if you have articles of interest or
helpful comments to include in the next newsletter. I'd
love to have your input!

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Fun Miata facts as published by Wikipedia:

The **Mazda MX-5**, released as the **Mazda MX-5 Miata** in North America and as the **Eunos Roadster** in Japan, is a lightweight two-seater roadster with a front-engine, rear-wheel-drive layout. Manufactured by Mazda in Hiroshima, Japan, the model debuted in 1989 at the Chicago Auto Show. The MX-5 was conceived as a small roadster – with light weight and minimal mechanical complexity limited only by legal and safety requirements, while being technologically modern and reliable. The MX-5 is conceptually an evolution of small sports roadsters of the 1960s, such as the Triumph Spitfire, Datsun 2000, Alfa Romeo Spider, and particularly the Lotus Elan.

The second generation MX-5 (NB) was launched in 1998 (for the 1999 model year), the third generation (NC) model was launched in 2005 (for the 2006 model year), and a fourth generation (ND) was released in 2015 (for the 2016 model year). It continues to be the best-selling two-seat convertible sports car in history and by July 2014 over 940,000 MX-5s had been built and sold around the world. Production of the MX-5 fell by 2013 to below 14,000 units, due to the world finance crisis in 2008, and the pre-announcement in 2012 of the coming ND model.

Since the launch of the third generation, Mazda consolidated worldwide marketing using the MX-5 name with the exception of the United States where it is marketed as the MX-5 Miata. The name Miata derives from Old High German for reward.